

¹ **WISDOM**

she hath builded her house,
she hath hewn out her seven pillars:
² she hath killed her beasts;
she hath mingled her wine;
she hath also furnished her table.

³ she hath sent forth her maidens:
she **CRIETH** upon the
HEIGHTS PLACES OF THE CITY,

⁴ "Whoso is **SIMPLE**, let him turn in hither:"

As for him that wanteth **UNDERSTANDING**, she saith to him,

⁵ "Come, eat of my bread, and
drink of the wine which I have mingled.

⁶ **Forsake** the foolish, and **LIVE**;
and **go** in the way of understanding."

⁷ He that **REPROVETH** a **SCORNERN** getteth to **himself shame**:
and
He that **REBUKETH** a **WICKED MAN** getteth **himself a blot**.

⁸ **REPROVE** not a **SCORNER**, lest he **hate thee**:

REBUKE a **WISE MAN**, and he will **love thee**.

⁹ Give **INSTRUCTION** to a **WISE MAN**, and he will **be yet wiser**.

TEACH a **JUST MAN** and he will **increase in learning**.

¹⁰ The **FEAR OF THE LORD** is the beginning of **WISDOM**: and
The **KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOLY** is **UNDERSTANDING**.

¹¹ For by **Me** thy days shall be multiplied, and
the years of thy life shall be increased.

¹² If thou be **wise**, thou shalt be wise for **thyself**:

BUT if thou **scornest**, **thou alone** shalt bear it.

¹³ **A FOOLISH WOMAN**

is CLAMEREROUS:
she is **SIMPLE**,
and KNOWETH NOTHING.

¹⁴ For she sitteth at the door of her house,
on a seat in **THE HIGH PLACES OF THE CITY**,
¹⁵ to **CALL** passengers who go right on their ways:

¹⁶ "Whoso is **SIMPLE**, let him turn in hither:"

And as for him that wanteth **UNDERSTANDING**, she saith to him,

¹⁷ Stolen waters are sweet,
and bread eaten **IN SECRET** is pleasant.

¹⁸ But he **KNOWETH NOT**
that the dead are there;
and that her guests are in the depths of hell.